

interconnecting device having a function of repeating a packet which is transmitted/received between a plurality of computers and being structured to be controllable by an external apparatus based on a TCP/IP protocol, the intelligent interconnecting device being connected to a LAN trunk line while the plurality of computers being connected to the intelligent interconnecting device,

wherein said intelligent interconnecting device is an intelligent interconnecting device according to claim 22.

32. A LAN system comprising an intelligent interconnecting device having a function of repeating a packet which is transmitted/received between a plurality of computers and being structured to be controllable by an external apparatus based on a TCP/IP protocol, the intelligent interconnecting device being connected to a LAN trunk line while the plurality of computers being connected to the intelligent interconnecting device,

wherein said intelligent interconnecting device is an intelligent interconnecting device

according to claim 23.

33. A LAN system comprising an intelligent interconnecting device having a function of repeating a packet which is transmitted/received between a plurality of computers and being structured to be controllable by an external apparatus based on a TCP/IP protocol, the intelligent interconnecting device being connected to a LAN trunk line while the plurality of computers being connected to the intelligent interconnecting device,

wherein said intelligent interconnecting device is an intelligent interconnecting device according to claim 24.

34. A LAN system comprising an intelligent interconnecting device having a function of repeating a packet which is transmitted/received between a plurality of computers and being structured to be controllable by an external apparatus based on a TCP/IP protocol, the intelligent interconnecting device being connected to a LAN trunk line while the plurality of computers being connected to the intelligent

interconnecting device,

wherein said intelligent interconnecting device is an intelligent interconnecting device according to claim25.